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Ed Smith
CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT
STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

No. DA 09-0403

STATE OF MONTANA,

Plaintiff and Appellee,

v.

SHAWN DAVID STRONG,

Defendant and Appellant.

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**MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
AND AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT**

COMES NOW, Joslyn Hunt, Chief Appellate Defender, and respectfully requests an extension of time until December 4, 2009, in which to prepare, file, and serve the Appellant's opening brief in the above-entitled matter. In support of this motion, undersigned counsel respectfully submits the following affidavit.

Respectfully submitted this 29th day of September, 2009.

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By: *Joslyn Hunt*
JOSLYN HUNT
Chief Appellate Defender

STATE OF MONTANA)
 : ss.

County of Lewis and Clark)

I, Joslyn Hunt, being first duly sworn upon my oath, depose and state as follows:

1. I am a licensed, practicing attorney in the State of Montana, and am currently employed by the Office of State Public Defender, Appellate Defender Office.

2. In that capacity, I supervise Jennifer Hurley who has been assigned to assist me with the above-entitled matter.

3. The Appellant's opening is presently due on October 5, 2009.

4. The undersigned requests an extension until December 4, 2009. This is the first request for an extension, but counsel requests 60 days in which to file the opening brief because the legal intern assisting the undersigned with this cause will be on maternity leave until October 22, 2009. All the assistant appellate counsel have been assigned an average of 15 actively briefing cases each. Budget constraints prohibit assigning cases to contract counsel except where a conflict exists and in abuse and neglect matters.

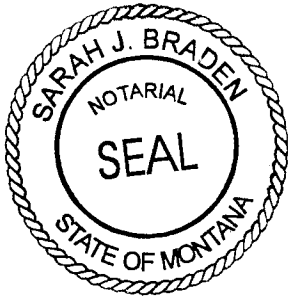
5. I will work diligently to complete the matter in the time requested.

6. Opposing counsel has been contacted concerning this motion and does not object.

7. Further your affiant sayeth naught.

Joslyn Hunt
Joslyn Hunt

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 28th day of September,
2009.



Sarah J. Braden
Sarah J. Braden
Notary Public for the State of Montana
Residing at Helena
My commission expires 1/25/2011

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I caused a true and accurate copy of the foregoing

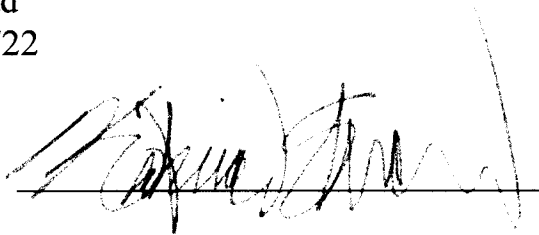
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DATED: September 29, 2009

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shawn David Strong", is written over a horizontal line.